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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE EASTERN EUROPEAN VISIT BY AMERICAN
INDIAN LEADERS

1. SEPTEMBER 20 WASHINGTON POST "AROUND THE WORLD" COLUMN
CARRIED THE FOLLOWING ITEM: BEGIN TEXT. GENEVA. AMERICAN
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INDIAN LEADER RUSSELL MEANS SAID THE INDIANS "PLAN TO RAM THE
HUMAN-RIGHTS ISSUE DOWN PRESIDENT CARTER'S THROAT" BY
TELLING EASTERN EUROPE OF "THE HORRENDOUS GENOCIDE CARRIED
OUT DAILY AGAINST THE AMERICAN INDIAN PEOPLE."

MEANS IS AMONG A HUNDRED INDIAN LEADERS FROM THE AMERICAS
IN GENEVA FOR A FOUR-DAY CONFERENCE SPONSORED BY NON-

GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION;. HE SAID HIS GROUP WILL VISIT
EASTERN EUROPE TO SEEK SUPPORT THERE AGAINST "FOREIGN
OCCUPATION." END TEXT.

2. DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS THAT RUSSELL MEANS AND OTHER
AMERICAN INDIAN LEADERS NOW MEETING IN GENEVA PLAN TO TRAVEL
TO THE GDR ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, AND SUBSEQUENTLY TO
HUNGARY, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, AND POLAND. WE ALSO UNDERSTAND
THAT SOME, IF NOT ALL, ARE CARRYING "PASSPORTS OF THE
IROQUOIS NATION" RATHER THAN U.S. PASSPORTS.

3. DEPARTMENT PLANS TO PROVIDE ADDRESSEE POSTS WITH
BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THE AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT
(AIM) AND RELATED MATERIAL VIA WIRELESS FILE.

4. IF YOU ARE QUERIED BY THE MEDIA ABOUT REACTIONS TO
STATEMENTS AND DEMONSTRATIONS BY THE INDIANS OR HOST
NATIONALS, YOU MAY EXPRESS CONCERN OVER ALLEGATIONS OF
VIOLATIONS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF AMERICAN INDIANS AND SAY
CHARGES WILL BE REPORTED TO WASHINGTON FOR CONSIDERATION
AND APPROPRIATE ACTION. WRITTEN CHARGES MAY ALSO BE
RECEIVED FOR FORWARDING TO THE DEPARTMENT.

5. FOR BERN AND GENEVA: ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON
THE GROUP'S TRAVEL PLANS TO EASTERN EUROPE WOULD BE
APPRECIATED. VANCE
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